

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented) A navigation system, comprising:

an input means for inputting a reference position for searching register points;

an information storage means for storing register points, wherein said register points are divided into an area or block, and said register points in each area or block are divided into at least one category, and flags representing the presence or absence of said register points are given to each category of each area or block;

a search means for searching each category of said register points existing within a predetermined limit on the basis of said reference position input by said input means by referring to said flags representing the presence or absence of said register points in said information storage means; and

a display means for displaying each category with flags representing the presence of the register points searched by said searching means.

4-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Previously Presented) A navigation system, comprising:

an input means for inputting information for searching register points;

an information storage means for storing register points, wherein said register points are divided into an area or block and said register points in each area or block are divided into at least one category and flags representing the presence or absence of said register points are given to each category of each area or block;

a search means for searching each category of said register points belonging to each area or block input by said input means by referring to said flags representing the presence or absence of said register points in said information storage means; and

a display means for displaying each category with flags representing the presence of the register points searched by said searching means.

17. (Previously Presented) A navigation system, comprising:

an input means for inputting information for searching register points;

an information storage means for storing register points, wherein said register points are divided into at least one category and said register points in each category are assigned to an area or block and flags representing the presence or absence of said register points are given to each area or block of each category;

a search means for searching an area of said register points belonging to the category input by said input means by referring to said flags representing the presence or absence of said register points in said information storage means; and

a display means for displaying an area with flags representing the presence of the register points searched by said searching means.

18-23. (Cancelled)